

Application Serial No. 10/010,957

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Nikolaus et al.

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CONTAINER SYSTEM

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Examiner:

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated January 27, 2004, concerning the above-referenced Application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 14 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this document.

Please amend the Application as follows:



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[X] Reply and Amendment (30 pages).

[] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As		Previously		Extra Claims				Additional
	Amended		Paid For		Present		Rate		Claims Fee
Total Claims:	73	-	75	=	0	х	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	7	-	7	=	0	x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation of	of any	y Multiple I	Depen	dent Claims:	+	\$290.00	=	\$0.00
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TOTAL FEE:

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[Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F total number of months checked below:	F.R. §1.136(a) for the
[Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00 \$0.00
[[] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00 \$0.00
[[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00 \$0.00
[[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00
[Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00 \$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE	E TOTAL: \$0.00
[Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$110.00 \$0.00
	CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE	E TOTAL: \$0.00
[[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of	of above): \$0.00

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 4/27/04

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